

ANNUAL MEETING OF M. D. BOULEVALE

The annual meeting of M. D. Boulevale was held in the Memorial Hall on February 18th.

Reeve H. B. Chamberlain acted as Chairman and requested Councillor L. A. Phillips to read his annual report for the year.

Secretary D. N. Gardner read the financial report for the year which was adopted by the meeting and met with the general endorsement of the ratepayers and the Councillors were instructed to make arrangements for sending the Strathmore Standard to the ratepayers for the ensuing year.

Mr. C. Cowell, the Returning Officer received nominations for Districts No. 1, 4 and 6. Mr. Chamberlain wished to retire but for some earnest pleading by the ratepayers, he was finally induced to put his name on the dotted line and Mr. Cowell announced that J. Nelson for Div. 1, Wm. Pankow for Div. 4 and H. S. H. Chamberlain for Div. 6 had been elected by acclamation.

A very pleasant event took place when Councillor Harry Groves slipped to the front and presented Mr. Chamberlain with a very hand some case of pipes from the ratepayers of Division 6.

Mr. Chamberlain was taken much by surprise and very cordially expressed his very sincere thanks.

The meeting was a most friendly one and the Council members were highly satisfied that their work was so highly appreciated especially when considering the very trying year through which they have just passed.

Heaven's Report

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am again honored and privileged to submit to you a report of the work of your Council during the year 1932.

The Council comprised: Reeve Chamberlain and Councillors J. Nelson, L. A. Phillips, H. Groves, L. Peterson, Mike Brown and A. J. Weyers. Mr. Groves was the Deputy Reeve of the Council for the first six months of the Council year and Mr. Phillips is the present Deputy Reeve of the Council.

It is with regret that we have to record the passing of Mr. George L. Peterson and Mr. Mike Brown both of whom during the year past represented Division No. 4 on the Council.

Both deaths were sudden in that death followed a sickness of little over a week in each case. The sympathy of the Council and the community was extended to the bereaved relatives at the time of the deaths.

As the death of Mr. Brown occurred in the late fall, action to fill the vacancy caused was not taken until the close of the Department of Municipal Affairs. The officers of the Municipality were Secretary-Treasurer D. N. Gardner, Auditor Jos Van Tiesem; Wood Inspector Angus J. Watson; and up until May 31st, 1932, J. W. Giffen, Jr., Medical Officer of Health. Since June 1st, 1932, we have been without the services of a Medical Health Officer.

Eleven meetings of the Council were held during the year under review and in the greater number of cases were fully attended.

The secondary highway through the Municipality from the Carleton Place bridge to the junction of the road with the main highway, Calgary-Medicine Hat, north of Cheadwick was completed in the late winter of 1932 by being gravelled. This road cost completed \$62,000.

92 of which the Dominion and Provincial Governments assumed \$18,108.49 and we have been asked to assume the balance, a total of \$14,891.51 of the gross total, \$62,000, grading cost \$38,367.74 and travelling \$23,632.26. Our share of \$14,891.51 has been agreed to enter into an agreement with the Minister of Public Works, Alberta, to repay it over a 10 year period with interest on the deferred amounts at the same rate as that payable by the province. This therefore means that in the year 1933 up to and including 1942 we are responsible for the payment of a annual charge of \$1,489.15, or \$1,493.42 together with interest. It is to be noted in passing that while we have contracted a liability of \$14,891.51 for the ten year period that there was paid out by

way of relief work on this project approximately \$21,000.00. Coming to the financial part of 1932-1933 it is a very welcome addition to the funds circulating in the Municipality. There would therefore be approximately \$7,000 paid to the residents of the District in excess of that asked to be repaid to the Provincial Government. It is further of interest to learn that hereafter the Municipality has not any obligation to maintain the secondary highway. We are relieved of the care and maintenance of 19 miles of road for all time.

In the past year a reassessment of lands was made in the Municipality to comply with the provisions of the Municipal District Act. This assessment was made in 1932 for the triennial assessment period 1932-1936. Valuations placed on lands were approximately 20 per cent lower than those placed at the time of the last assessment, in the year 1929, and were 15 per cent lower than the present valuations being used for the Council. Feeling that prices for agricultural products had declined a value of value lands on the local municipal and school taxes is practically negligible but when paying Supplementary levies on taxes then a direct benefit does accrue to the ratepayer.

This tax as you all know is collected by the Municipality and is remitted direct to the Provincial Government for its own use. It therefore follows that if the valuation of your land is decreased then the amount payable to the Provincial Government for Supplementary Revenue tax is decreased. The rate for this tax being fixed by statute at two mills on the dollar of assessed value. A brief summary of the Supplementary Revenue tax levied in the year 1932 may be interesting just to what extent. The Council has been successful in reducing taxation by virtue of lower assessed values. The total assessed value of the lands in the district was \$5,105,400 and the Supp. Rev. tax was \$10,210 in 1932 the valuation was reduced to \$4,583,000 with the tax levy \$7,838.00 in 1933 the valuation used was \$5,282,100 and the tax levy \$10,564.20. The reduction in the tax levy \$2,726.20 is the result of the reduction in the assessed value of the lands in the Municipality worth approximately \$2,527,400 and the levy at 2 mills on the dollar would yield \$10,564.20 a saving since 1932 of \$2,726.20 or practically 51 per cent.

Only five cases of notifiable diseases were reported in the Municipality during the year just past. Three of these were chicken pox and the other two were measles. Possibly a greater number of cases than those reported existed but redressive failed to notify the doctor hence no report was submitted to the Municipality. Each year we have tried to emphasize on the necessity for treating communicable diseases.

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MUSIC FOR ORATORICAL CONTEST, MARCH 10

Mr. Norman Kennedy of Calgary whose singing over the radio is frequently enjoyed, will be present and sing at the Oratorical Contest. Miss Mary Crozier also of Calgary will come to sing on that occasion. Mr. Kennedy and Miss Crozier will sing solo and render one or more duets for the benefit of all who possess a very fine singing voice and will render a duet with Mr. Kennedy.

Miss Florence Garrett will present the younger school pupils in two Act Songs and two Lullabies. Whistling solo by Mrs. T. Schulte will be another very pleasing feature of the musical part of the evening's entertainment.

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TOWN COUNCIL STRATHMORE RED SOX IN HELD MEETING SECOND ROUND OF MORGAN CUP PLAY-OFF SERIES

Monday night the statutory meeting of the Strathmore Council was held and the newly elected Mayor A. H. Shrimpton and Councillors Miner, Hinton, Garrett and Quinn signed the Declaration of Office.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and the special meeting were read and adopted.

Secretary T. M. Wears reported that Jos French, A. V. McFarlane and Frank Young had been elected as representatives on the School Board.

Mayor Shrimpton appointed the following Chairmen of Committees: Fire, W. Hinton; Finance, H. Miner; Public Works, G. Quinn; Parks, M. B. Garrett; Mr. Jos Van Tighem was again appointed auditor for 1933.

The Trusts & Guarantee Co. made a formal demand for payment of \$200 that had been made by F. W. Quinn on the Morgan Cup.

This money had been expended in connection with expenses with the late Mrs. Moran, but as legally it belonged to the J. V. Moran estate, the Councillors had no option but to turn that amount over to the Trust Co.

The Mayor reported upon the hearing of the case of the C. U. I. D. Board, but the decision will not be received before the end of the month.

Current accounts totalling about \$250 were passed to the Finance Committee for payment if found correct.

OTIS TIEDE FUNERAL HELD

The death occurred on February 19th of Otis Albert Tiede, age 32 years, 5 months and 19 days, at the home of his father, J. H. Tiede, at Strathmore.

He had been ill about 9 days and his death came as a great shock to all.

He leaves to mourn his loss his father, A. H. Tiede and one brother, Leslie. His mother predeceased him on January 9th, 1932.

Full funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. at the home of F. Schumann, H. Frantz, D. R. Garriott, L. Egelund and N. Wolfram.

Flower tributes were received from the following: F. Schumann, Brother; Teacher and Elwood School Friends; L. Selgenen; Mrs. and Mrs. Widdim and family; Mrs. and Mrs. P. H. Garriott; Mrs. and Mrs. D. R. Garriott; Mrs. and Mrs. F. Verwee; Annie Preen; Boys of the Hockey Club; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bliss and family; L. B. Melvin; Berry family; Mr. and Mrs. J. Sharp and family.

The Lutheran services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Wernicke, Pastor of Mount Calvary Church, Calgary and the funeral was conducted by C. W. Chase and the interment took place in Strathmore Cemetery.

Nightingale

Much sympathy is felt for Sid Griffith and family in the loss of his father in England.

A surprise chicken supper was given Dick Jacobs last Thursday. Dick called it a pleasant surprise, because he did not know his wife knew he was chicken.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Morgan motor out for Edmonton on Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. L. Lee.

Mrs. Duggan and Donald were visitors in Calgary Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Hinton spent three days in Calgary.

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STRATHMORE 5-0
DRUMHELLER 4-0
Last Saturday night the local hockey team were treated to a fast and vigorous exhibition when Drumheller challenged with the Red Sox in the second game of the first period of the Morgan Cup draw. Except for the first five minutes of the first period play was a nice piece of play. Play was wide open on both sides and only two minor penalties were handed out by Referee Gray.

Leading the attack with vigor the locals collected the first goal on a solo effort of Jack Crellin's when he evaded the Drumheller defence to beat Slater from close in. Two minutes later Tennant tried a long shot from beyond the blue line which Crellin failed to stop. The home team having solved the visitors defense collected the next one when Eddie Crellin snuck. Roy Watson scored on a nice piece of combination. Three minutes after Eddie passed to Les Christensen to make the score 3 to 1.

By doing the scoring from Les' side in the play in this period as it looked as though Drumheller were feeling their way on the struggle line.

Four minutes of the second period had gone and then the Christensen brothers figured in the next marker for the Strathmore team, Roy doing the scoring from Les' pass out from behind the goal line. Local rosters were urging the team along and the team was developing in an uncertain manner. However, Whipple and Tennant snatched an opening and combined to get the next goal. Whipple scoring from Tennant's pass. Jack Crellin drew the only penalty for the Red Sox when the referee stopped an accidental trip.

Drumheller started out the third period with every intention of piling up a substantial lead and in the rush of things Parker was handed out his penalty for clipping. Another penalty should have been collected by the visitors when one of their defense men threw his stick and robbed Moran of a try on goal when he was right through with the goal keeper to beat. Seven minutes from the face of the Whipple lobbed a long shot from the centre ice section which struck Crellin and bounced down and over the goal line. Six minutes later Moran snatched the Drumheller defence and beat Slater from close in to set the last goal for the Strathmore team. On a combination effort featuring Wynn, Whipple and the former slammed the rubber past Crellin. Just three minutes before the final bell. After the Red Sox had four men ap. thereafter they could not collect another tally.

Drumheller—Slater, Wille, Purvis, Hawkins, Currie, Humphries, Wiggins, Tennant, Young, Whipple.

Strathmore—Crellin, E. Giron, Christensen, Moran, W. Giron, C. Giron, J. Crellin, E. Crellin and C. Christensen.

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GENTLEMAN JIM CORBETT

James J. Corbett, 'Gentleman Jim' is dead, one of the greatest fighters of all times, once world's heavyweight champion, a talented actor, and a true gentleman has gone down for the last long count. He was the man who made of fighting a science, who because he was not a particularly hard hitter developed the boxing style of today. He may be known as the father of legalized boxing. Starting as an obscure clerk in San Francisco his rise to fame and fortune was sensational. As an amateur boxer he drew forth much praise, and was heralded as the man to beat the great John L. Sullivan, king of the heavyweights at that time (1881). He was opposed to turning professional, but was finally prevailed upon and in 1889 he knocked out Joe Choynski, a front runner in the heavy ranks. From victory to victory he swept on; First Jake Kilrain, then the great Australian negro, Peter Jackson. In this fight Corbett held off and actually out fought Jackson for 61 rounds, when the fight was declared no contest. The greatest fight of course was when he won the title from John L. Sullivan in 21 rounds of a finish fight. After retiring from the game on his defeat at the hands of Bob Fitzsimmons, Corbett devoted his time to the stage and made many visits to Canada. His life has always been a model of clean living and good sportsmanship. Corbett was born in 1866.

SUN LIFE INCREASED ASSETS MANY MILLIONS

In a year when business statements are, on the whole, far from cheering the published experience of life insurance makes heartening reading.

While other investments have too often proved disappointing every policy held in our life insurance companies is still worth one hundred cents on the dollar, with substantial additions in accumulating dividends.

The steady flow of insurance funds into productive industry is one of the greatest mainstays of business today. But few realize the extent of this financial support in the case of individuals. Payments to policyholders and their dependants during the year, for instance, by the Sun Life of Canada, whose statement appears in another column, climbed to over \$108,000,000. A portion of this represents money that the assured could obtain only on the value of their policies. To meet the special exigencies of a distressing period.

These and other conditions during the past three or four years have subjected life insurance companies to a most exacting test. The war and the influenza epidemic, by abnormally increasing mortalities, produced a situation against which human foresight could scarcely provide. The financial catastrophe by which they were so closely followed created conditions that only the strongest institutions could withstand.

Yet, during the three years in question, the business of the Sun Life Company increased by nearly five hundred million dollars and its assets by 45 million dollars. The number of its policyholders increased, during that period, by over two hundred thousand and now amounts to nearly a million. This resiliency under abnormal strain is both amazing and reassuring to the man in the street.

On explanation of the ability of an insurance company to meet all its obligations under such trying conditions is that its obligations are so scientifically estimated that it is able to provide for all expenditures out of ordinary revenue. This renders it unnecessary to dispose of assets during a period of depressed prices, and makes the fluctuation of security prices a matter of no special concern.

The report of the Sun Life refers to the fact that the total of its resources in force—nearly three billion dollars—will be payable during the present generation. If to this huge sum be added the amount payable during the same period by other insurance companies the wholesome effect upon the economic and social situation in the coming years can scarcely be overestimated.

Hello, Dr. Banyan. Yes? Come right away. My husband has another one of his spells.

Why didn't you send for me sooner? said the doctor, half an hour later. You should not have waited till your husband was unconscious.

Well, replied his wife, as long as he had his senses he wouldn't let me send for you.

Lecturer (who has spoken for two hours)—I shall not keep you much longer. I am afraid I have spoken at rather great length. There is no clock in the room and I must apologize for not having a watch with me.

A Voice.—There's a calendar behind you, mister.

Tommy returned from school with a perturbed brow. What's the matter, sonny? asked his father.

I can't get a certain sum right, returned the boy, I wish you'd help me with it, dad.

His father shook his head. Can't my boy, he said. It wouldn't be right.

I don't suppose it would, Tommy replied, but you might have a try.

A colored truck operator was informed that he could not get his money until he had submitted an itemized statement for a certain hauling job. After much meditation he scribbled the following bill.

3 comes and 2 goes at 4 bits a went—\$2.

A certain gentleman arrived late for a concert and inquired from the person sitting beside him what the orchestra was playing.

They have just finished the 9th Symphony.

If'm, am I as late as that.

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NIGHTINGALE

The Ladies Institute of Nightingale spent a very pleasant afternoon at the home of Mrs. Joel. The new typed programmes for 1933 were distributed. The ladies decided to entertain their husbands, the hockey boys, and the girls soft ball team to a supper and social evening early in March. Mrs. Harriman read a paper outlining the work attempted by the Health Department of Alberta. Visitors at the meeting included Mrs. Lonsbury and Mrs. Jacobs of Strathmore and Mrs. Johnston of Edmonton. A delicious tea was served by the hostesses Mrs. W. Joel and P. Hiltion. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. F. Hiltion on March 9th. All ladies of the community are welcome.

Mrs. Thirston is recovering from an attack of the flu.

Mrs. Florence Johnston and children left last Friday for their home in Edmonton after having been guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Coops for some time.

Miss Tebb is gradually recovering from her recent operation. Weldon Harriman is substituting in Valley Garden School.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Osmond entertained a number of their friends at a bridge party last Friday. The occasion being Doris' birthday. Mrs. Harriman was winner of ladies high score. Mr. Jensen won first in the gets, while Mrs. Path car-

ried off the consolation. Every one thoroughly enjoyed the evening and in departing wished the most many happy returns of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Jensen and Mrs. Diacre were Calgary visitors last week. Mrs. Diacre consulted an oculist and the world looks bigger and brighter now.

Mrs. Ray Pool and Mrs. Coops assisted by Misses Adelaide Newall and Rachel Harriman served a supper for the Delacour hockey boys after the game last Friday. The boys showed their appreciation by the hearty manner in which the turkey and beans disappeared. At the close of the supper hearty cheers were given the hostesses.

The score for the hockey game was 3 to 2 in favor of Delacour. It was a good game for both parties and the dance in the evening was a real social success.

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CRAIGANTLER

Scotty Ramage and Miss Murdoch went to Calgary Saturday to see the Miners and Bronks play.

H. Ellis is writing for the Glitch and all his plan to reorganize the Kant Kick Klub is like settling the war debt. H. is a true American and will want it all his way.

F. Mull improved a little in mind and health attended a card party at Mrs. Mor. School last Friday. Fred gave a detail on the running of the card parties every two weeks and for once got his mind off the C. P. R. taking over the Canadian National.

Tommy Warren had a nervous breakdown last week. He could not stand the strain of drinking so much Postum and worrying over sweep stake tickets.

Owing to the sad death of Otto Telde a large number from the North East corner of Blackfoot Municipal District were absent from the annual meeting showing their respect for the late boy by attending the funeral.

Bill Smith says he has never heard of the depression yet, he is never away from the farm and he never reads a paper and he says his mind is taken up amongst his cows and pigs.

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cases with the greatest care in order to prevent an epidemic in the district. That this is being done we are inclined to believe and only hope that it will continue in the years to come. Due to not arriving at a satisfactory arrangement the services of the Medical Health Officer were dispensed with commencing June 1st, 1932. We are therefore without one at the present time.

The matter of financing the rural school requisitions for 1932 proved to be one of the hardest matters which the Council have had to deal with in some years. Starting out the year with a carry over from 1931 of a loan of \$13,425.88 and having requisitions from the schools totalling \$14,460.21 every effort was made to try and pay each quarter requisition in full as it fell due. Owing to lack of funds and curtailed borrowing powers the Council had to raise up the payment of the last quarter's requisition. \$10,578.90 was borrowed from the bank during the year which together with the carry over from the previous year made our total borrowings on school account some \$23,800.00. On this amount we were able to pay from collections the sum of 17,611.74 and the

outstanding loan on school account at the time of the year was \$6,200.94. Taking all factors into consideration the Council have arrived at the opinion that it is not in the best interests of the Municipality to keep on borrowing money without being able to make definite arrangements for the repayment of it. It therefore follows that as soon as the loan to the bank is cleared up that the collections received from each school district will be repaid to that school district to carry on its school business. Keeping schools open is one of the most desirable features to be found in a Municipality and it is the people's duty and school taxes it looks to the Council as though the schools would never be closed. It should be mentioned here that rates for school taxes have been brought down to the absolute minimum to provide for the requisitions made by the respective schools. The rates this year ranged from 4 to 9 mills and in 1931 from 4 to 10 mills. In 1932 where a reduction was made in the requisition we were able at most without exception to make a reduction in the mill rate in that particular school district.

Mr A. J. Watson was the Weed Inspector this year and was engaged in his work for a period of three months commencing June 1st. He covered the Municipality as best he could and reports that in the greater number of cases that the ratepayers gave him every co-operation. The attention of every ratepayer should be devoted to keeping weeds under control on his own land and in assisting the weed inspector when he comes. Much wider powers are given to the Weed Inspector under the provisions of the new Noxious Weed Act, passed at the 1932 session of the Legislature. The fact that they were not used in the fullest possible sense is accounted for by the fact that the ratepayers were trying their best to meet the situation in the face of extremely hard conditions.

Again in 1932 the Council endeavored to do as much as possible in the way of public works without increasing the burden of taxation. Use was made to a greater extent of the grading outfit consisting of the tractor, blade and elevating graders. In so acting we were able to get a goodly number of miles of road graded to a fairly good standard and the expense entailed we believe justified this action. In two divisions very little was spent for public works as at the time the grader was available for work it was either so close to harvest that to build roads would be a penalty on those using it or that freeze up had already arrived.

Realizing that conditions had not improved with the passing of the year the council set the Municipal Mill rate again at 3 mills. This permitted us to levy a total of \$11,267.15 for general Municipal purposes. Worked out on an acreage basis in the District it means a rate of 6.14 cents per acre. Even with conditions as they are the Council is of the opinion that this rate of taxation for general purposes is not exorbitant. And of course you can be assured that if there is any possibility of reducing the rate the Council will be only too glad to do so.

At the last session of the Provincial legislature an amendment was passed to the Tax Consolidation Act which permitted the Council, upon the passing of a by-law, to grant a discount of 5 per cent off current taxes paid on or before October 31st or 2 1/2 per cent if paid on November 1st or on or before December 15th and also recent payment of any part of the arrears of taxes on payment of the original amount levied plus one penalty of 5 per cent. Realizing that such an inducement would be

appreciated by the tax payers there is no doubt in the minds of the Council. Proof is found on referring to the amounts collected for Municipal taxes alone in 1932. As compared with 1931. In 1932 collections were approximately \$3,000 greater than in the preceding year. While it is remembered that prices for farm products were almost an average of one third lower in 1932 than in 1931 this showing is very creditable. This showing was reflected throughout in the other taxes which are collected by the Council. A word of thanks is therefore due to those who have made the effort to pay their taxes or at least some portion of them. That same spirit will continue there is not any doubt in my mind but that we will be able to carry on our Municipal business to the greatest advantage of all. An effort was made by the Council in the fall to collect taxes through distress proceedings. On commencing this action we found that a good number of the ratepayers had contracted to give the vendors one third of their crop as payment on their land contracts and to insist on taking this share and defeating the ratepayers of any inducements offered by these vendors or to try and take some part of the crop in addition to the third which was being given voluntarily. The Council had business to do. It was consequently decided to write each ratepayer liable to have distress proceedings commenced asking them to pay something on their taxes. A minimum of one quarter of the gross amount due was set. The response to this method of collection was gratifying to the Council.

Finding that caveats filed against lands were dragging from year to year the Council decided to put on a tax sale of lands which had caveats registered against them in the year 1932. Previous years Tax Sale was called for November and a number of parcels were offered for sale. Only some 12 lots were sold at the sale; no farm lands being sold.

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NEW ASSURANCES PAID FOR	284,098,000
TOTAL INCOME	161,407,000
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	148,026,000
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER DISBURSEMENTS	13,381,000
PAYMENTS TO POLICYHOLDERS AND BENEFICIARIES:	
During the year 1932	108,327,000
Since Organization	702,712,000
ASSETS	611,436,000
Real estate, government, municipal, public utility and others; stocks, preferred and common; loans on mortgages; real estate; loans on Company policies cash in banks and other assets.	
LIABILITIES	597,341,000
Almost nine-tenths of this sum represents the policy reserve—the amount which is withheld to guarantee all policy payables as they become due.	
PAID-UP CAPITAL (\$2,000,000) and balance at credit of shareholders' account	\$3,416,000
RESERVE for depreciation in mortgages and real estate	4,781,000
SURPLUS	5,998,000
	\$14,195,000

The valuation of assets has been made on the basis prescribed for all companies by the Insurance Department of the Dominion of Canada. Policy reserves have been valued by the full rate premium method, on balances more exacting than those required by the Insurance Act of the Dominion of Canada.

Applications for new assurances were received by the Company during 1932 at an average rate of more than \$1,000,000 for every working day.

During 1932 the Company paid to policyholders and beneficiaries more than \$500,000 for every working day.

Income from renewal premiums was the largest ever received by the Company in a single year.

Cash in repayment or reduction of policy loans exceeded in amount that of any previous year.

Revolutions of lapsed policies were in excess of those of any previous year, with one exception.

The net amount of policy proceeds left with the Company at interest was substantially increased.

Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada

were successful in having representation of the Railway Company freed almost temporarily at the Cheate station.

As a measure of relief for those who cannot afford to buy as much coal as they would like, the Council obtained a permit to cut wood on land in 2, 1932 and 1932-25. This permit was for firewood purposes only. On application of a resident of the Municipality who had not any wood on his own farm land could be used for firewood a permit would be issued authorizing the resident to cut wood from off the land covered by the Municipal wood permit. That the work worked out satisfactory is shown by the number of applications received for permission to cut wood. For the information of those who have not had a permit I would like to know just where the land referred to is situated. It is down in the South East corner of the District within a mile of the Indian Reserve.

Again in 1932 the Municipality took some part in the distribution of coal required in the District. Under this arrangement coal was shipped in in car loads after we had received sufficient orders to make up a car load and the coal would be sold at cost to the ratepayers. All the way through the past year this arrangement seems to have worked satisfactorily. A total of 25 cars were shipped to the Municipality in 1932.

Sending the Strathmore Standard to ratepayers was discontinued in 1932. Now, due to the sheet storm of last April wrecking the telephone system, it is possible that you would like the Council to re-establish this service. Your opinion would be appreciated.

The financial statement of the Municipality for the year past has been in your hands for some time past and you have had time to go over it at your leisure. It is I believe self explanatory and needs no additional comment from me except to observe that we are decidedly fortunate in having a larger balance by about \$2,000 on hand at the end of the year in the Municipal Account. Owing to the abnormally low rates in the past year it was physically impossible to get the statement ready for distribution at an earlier date.

From the press you will have read of the proposed larger Municipal Units and no doubt will have your own opinion on the merits or otherwise of the scheme. Expressing the view of the Council I am of the opinion that the change suggested is ill-timed, dangerous and unworkable with the personnel authorized. Briefly the proposal is to disorganize the present Municipal Districts and consolidate them into larger units comprising approximately five to eight of the present Municipalities. To govern this larger area it is proposed to have the same Municipal Act, the same or nearly so the same number of Councillors with the position of Councillors with the possible exception that the Reeve may be elected by the electors at large in place of by the Council, and the office staff would consist of three, a secretary, an Assessor Collector and a stenographer. The proposal is ill-timed when it is remembered that the Municipality of the Province as a whole are in good financial standing, in fact it is admitted by the Provincial Premier himself that the Alberta Municipalities are equal to any in the Dominion of Canada. Danger in the scheme is foreseen in the possibility of increased taxation by the fact that the control is apt to be further removed from direct contact with the residents usually affected and by the thought that ultimately some burdens presently borne by the Province may be shifted to the shoulders of the larger units. The area in which this District is situated is said to contain some 1800 square miles with a total population of about 10,000, the density of population being close to 7 persons to the square mile.

I wish to stress my sincere thanks to the ratepayers and the members of the Council for their assistance and efforts in carrying out the business of the Municipality during the past year.

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